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**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For (title): SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTERFACING A LOCAL COMMUNICATION DEVICE

**1. Type of Application**

This transmittal is for a continuation application.

**2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application (35 U.S.C. 119(e), 120, or 121)**

The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application. Enclosed are **ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION CLAIMED.**

**3. Papers Enclosed**

A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. 1.153 (Design)

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**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10\***

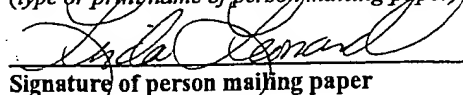
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**Application**

54 Page(s) of Specification  
6 Page(s) of Claims  
10 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)—Formal

**B. Other Papers Enclosed**

3 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney  
1 Page(s) of abstract  
21 Page(s) of Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) and 1.42;  
Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a);  
Declaration on Behalf of Deceased Inventor;  
Exhibits A, B, C and D;  
Assignment and Agreement in an Application for Letters Patent  
Of the United States of American (executed);  
Recordation Form Cover Sheet;  
Power of Attorney by Assignee;  
Transmittal dated February 27, 1997;  
Status Inquiry dated October 13, 1999.

**4. Declaration or Oath**

Enclosed

Executed by:

- inventors.
- Petition required by 37 CFR 1.47 dated February 27, 1997..

**5. Inventorship Statement**

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

**6. Language**

English

**7. Assignment**

An assignment of the invention to Sprint Communications Company, L.P. has been recorded.

8. **Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. 1.16)**

Regular Application

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 CFR 1.16(a) \$760.00
Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(c))	42	- 20 =	22 x	\$18.00	\$396.00
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b))	3	- 3 =	0 x	\$78.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+	\$260.00	\$0.00

Filing Fee Calculation

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9. **Fee Payment Being Made at This Time**

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10. **Method of Payment of Fees**

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11. **Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and

during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 21-0765.

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37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)

37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to § 1.136(a))

37 C.F.R. 1.17 (application processing fees)

**12. Instructions as to Overpayment**

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**13. Relate Back**

Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line, the following sentence:

**A. 35 U.S.C. §§ 120, 121 and 365(c)**

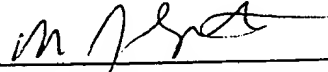
“This application is a continuation of copending application

Application number 08/754,354 filed on November 22, 1996.”

14. **Further Inventorship Statement Where Benefit of Prior Application(s) Claimed**

- a. This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above and the inventors in this application are the same.

Respectfully submitted,



**SIGNATURE OF PRACTITIONER**

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